

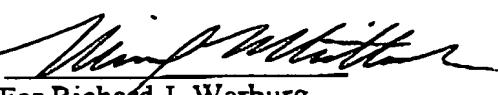
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Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Should any matters remain outstanding, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (858) 720-2500 so that they may be resolved without the need for additional action and response thereto.

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